Sanguinaria Canadensis

SANGUINARIA CANADENSIS.

Blood root.

PLATE VII.

Among the earliest visiters of spring the botanist will find in almost any part of the United States the *Sanguinaria Canadensis*. Its fine white flowers proceeding from the bosom of a [illegible] convoluted leaf, become visible in the woods, in Carolina, in the month of March, and in New England, toward the end of April. Its most common name is *Blood root*. It has also the appellation of *Puccoon, Turmeric, Red root*, &c. It is the only species we at present possess of the genus Sanguinaria, distinguished by a *two leaved calyx, eight petals, and an oblong capsule, with one cell and many seeds*.—Class *Polyandria*, order *Monogynia*. Natural order *Rhoadeæ*, L. *Papaveraceæ*, Juss.